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Department would appreciate urgent Embassy comment on report reference telegram that Chancellor ready to give GDR de facto recognition.

Would appreciate Embassy's evaluation accuracy of report, and if report is to be taken at face value Embassy's analysis of its significance. Refusal to deal with GDR is vital point in Western policy and US has been disposed in ∞ principle to follow FEDREP lead. Forthcoming Macmillan talks lend problem of U knowing precisely where FEDREP stands added urgency.

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